THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) No, Sir. The present head of the Pandit Sunderlal Sharma Central Institute of Vocational Education (PSSCIVE), has a post graduate degree from the Indian Agricultural Research Institute in one of the Agricultural sciences and has been an expert in Vocational Education for the last seventeen years. Prior to his selection as Joint Director, PSSCIVE, he was the Head of the Department of Vocationalisation of Education in the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT).

(b) No, Sir. All academic posts in NCERT are filled through open advertisement on all India basis and selection through duly constituted Selection Committee. Many candidates from outside the NCERT have been inducted into the organisation, at senior levels, on the recommendation of these Selection Committees.

(c) Does not arise.

Rural Literacy

1921. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM:
SHRI MUKESH R. PATEL:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Rural literacy are not satisfactory till date;

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken for improvement in this field;

(c) how many Rural functional literacy projects have been working at present in the country, details State-wise; and

(d) how much funds are allocated for rural literacy in Ninth Plan; details, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) and (b) Rural Literacy rate as per 1991 census is 44.54%. The principal strategy of National Literacy Mission for eradication of illiteracy is Total Literacy Campaign. Presently 430 districts are covered under Total Literacy Campaign. However the revamped Rural Functional Literacy Project was approved for implementation during the 8th Plan but being implemented actually since 1994-95. The revamped Scheme is being implemented only in restricted areas where campaign made total literacy cannot be implemented for logistic reasons and so an alternative made. As many as 65 projects were approved since its commencement. The projects are under various stages of implementation.

(c) The following projects have been sanctioned so far:

Aruanchal Pradesh	—	7
Assam	—	15
Mizoram	—	2
Manipur	—	10
Nagaland	—	14
Meghalaya	—	2
Sikkim	—	8
J&K	—	7

(d) It is proposed to continue the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Rural Functional Literacy Project during the Ninth Plan with an outlay of Rs. 5 crores. Outlays are not made on State-wise basis. On the basis of project proposals received from the States projects are sanctioned and funds distributed.

Maintenance of stadiums

1922. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has been extending aid and assistance to the State Governments for repairing, renovation, replacement and maintenance of stadiums;

(b) if so, the funds sanctioned for the purpose to various States during the last three years; and

(c) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S.R. BOMMAI): (a) No, Sir. The Department does not have any scheme under which there is a provision for giving assistance to the State Governments for repairing, renovation, replacement and maintenance of stadia. As such, the Government of India does not extend aid and assistance to State Governments for these purposes.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Voluntary agencies in the field of Adult Education

1923. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether some voluntary agencies are working in the field of adult education programme;

(b) if so, the name and the number of voluntary agencies working in the field of adult education programme in every State:

(c) the State-wise details thereof;

(d) the grants received by them from the Centre and the States during the last three years; and

(e) the work undertaken by them in the field of adult education during those years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) A statement showing the details of voluntary agencies working in the field of adult education programmes in the States and the amount released to them during the last three years under the Scheme of Assistance to Voluntary Agencies in Adult Education, is given in Annexure. [*See* Appendix 181, Annexure No. 51] The projects are funded by centre on 100% basis under this scheme.

(e) The Voluntary Agencies have been given grants during the last three years for undertaking Total Literacy Projects (TLCs), Post Literacy Projects (PLCs), Publication of materials for neo-literates, organisation of workshops/conferences/seminars & providing academic resource support to adult education programme in the country.

राष्ट्रीय प्रतिभा खोज परीक्षा में भाग लेने वाले छात्र

1924. **श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव:** क्या मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) राष्ट्रीय प्रतिभा खोज परीक्षा (एन०टी०एस०ई०) 1995 एवं 1996 में राज्य-वार कितने छात्रों ने भाग लिया;

(ख) इनमें से राज्य-वार कितने छात्र उत्तीर्ण हुए, और

(ग) मध्य प्रदेश में उक्त वर्षों में उत्तीर्ण छात्रों के नाम, अध्ययनरत संस्था का नाम एवं उन्हें दी जा रही सुविधाओं का ब्यौरा क्या है?

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय में शिक्षा विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मुही राम सैकिया): (क) और (ख) वर्ष 1995 और 1996 के लिए उक्त परीक्षा में बैठने और उत्तीर्ण होने वाले विद्यार्थियों की राज्यवार संख्या विवरण-I में दी गई है। **(नीचे देखिए)**

(ग) उक्त वर्षों के दौरान मध्य प्रदेश से उत्तीर्ण होने वाले विद्यार्थियों के नाम तथा उन संस्थाओं के नाम जिनमें वे अध्ययन कर रहे थे, विवरण-II में दिए गए हैं। **(नीचे देखिए)**

इस योजना का उद्देश्य कक्षा-X के अन्त में प्रतिभावान विद्यार्थियों का पता लगाना और अच्छी शिक्षा